

FISK BROS. FISK BROS. FISK BROS.

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

Don't fool your money away when you buy Christmas presents, nor do not be misled by people advertising goods at cost and are going to close out—that is an old fake; merchants who will advertise something that they are not going to do will skin you if they get a chance.

Come to Fisk Bros. and lay in your Christmas goods. They have no old stock that they bought years ago and are trying to close out, but everything they carry is new and cheap. Goods bought this year are 50 per cent cheaper than goods bought last year.

A man that can get seventy-five cents for a day's work these times is a lucky man. The farmers all know they almost have to give away what they have to sell. We will show you the difference in prices in this year and last year on a few things that would make nice, useful Christmas presents.

One six piece decorated chamber set sold last year for \$3, worth this year \$2.25.

Don't forget that we pay cash for eggs and chickens.

One decorated wash bowl and pitcher sold last year for \$1.25, this year 85c.

One decorated lamp, blue, pink or canary color sold last year for \$1.25 this year 75c.

One fine banquet lamp, new pattern Rochester burner, worth last year four dollars, this year \$2.

Water sets of brilliant crystal assorted colors, each set contains one half gallon pitcher, six tumblers and tray worth last year \$2.50, this year \$1.50.

One set of warranted steel knives and forks worth last year \$1.50 this year 75c.

Don't be humbugged by people advertising goods at cost—look out for them. Buy goods from people that you can depend on what they say, and who sell what they advertise.

1 set silver spoon, knife and fork for children \$ 25

1 set child's plate, cup and saucer 25

1 fine decorated night lamp 25

The place to get your chickens and turkeys weighed correctly is at Fisk Bros.

GROCERY DEPARTMENT.

10 lb hand picked navy beans, they are fine \$ 25

25c worth of chewing gum for 05

4 lb of four crown raisins 25

3 lb three crown raisins 25

2 lb of London larger raisins 25

3 lb seedless raisins 25

5 lb dried apples 25

3 lb California prunes 25

1 dozen sweet oranges 30

1 doz good lemons 20

Drive straight to our store; we pay cash for chickens, turkeys and eggs.

3 lb evaporated blackberries 25

1 lb evaporated raspberries 20

We carry a fresh line of bulk olives, lemon peel, orange peel, cit-
ron, sweet and sour pickles, celery,
grapes, in fact you can get at our
store anything that you could get in
Kansas City or St. Louis in the
grocery line.

COFFEES.

4 lb best broken Java coffee 25

2 lb pure Rio coffee 25

1 lb Java Blend coffee 15

2 lb good green coffee 25

We carry the largest stock of good
coffees in Butler.

FLOUR.

50 lb of Family flour \$ 80

50 lb XXXX flour 1 00

50 lb White Rose flour 1 15

50 lb Empire flour 1 15

50 lb Centurion flour 1 20

50 lb White Goose flour 1 25

Bran and shorts in 500 lb lots 65

5 gallon oil and can 1 00

1 good coal hod 15

1 good Buck saw 50

1 Lippincott ax and handle 75

Any size rope 07

Northern potatoes per bushel 65

3 boxes new club shells 1 00

1 lb best powder 20

4 lb shot 25

3 lb blasting powder 25

1 galvanized bucket 20

1 broom—not very good 10

25c worth of chewing gum 05

We have no old goods that we are
closing out at cost, but we have a
full store of new goods that we are
selling at small profit.

FISK BROS.



FOR

Christmas

What more useful or could be better appreciated than a comfortable pair of slippers or a pair of fine dress shoes. We have the largest selection at extremely low prices.

MAX WEINER.

Warm Felt Shoes for those that Suffer with cold tender feet.

Insure with the St. Joseph Farm Mutual and save 30 per cent of premium FARM and TOWN property.
50-1f SAM'L SILVERS, Agt.

COME TO

NEW YORK RACKET

FOR YOUR

HOLIDAY GOODS

They have a large line on display

Toilet Cases from 48c up

Albums, Celluloid front, back 40c up

Kid doll, natural hair 10c up

Kid doll, closing eyes 25c

Rubber dolls 09c up

Holiday books 01c up

Handy volume classics 20c

Books, silk finish, cloth binding

comprising 250 tales, 19c or 6 for \$1

Self pronouncing Teachers' Oxford Bibles \$1.33

Bagsters comprehensive Bible indexed \$1.75

Collar and Cuff box 35c up

Ribbon, Suspender, Glove, Fan, Necktie and Handkerchief

boxes from 24c up

Tourist Leather Cases 47c

Leather Music Rolls 47c up

Large line Iron Toys 4c up

To our customers buying

\$5.00 worth of goods we

will present them with a

Hour Glass Medallion

7x9.

New York Racket

One Low Price to All.

West Side Square.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve

The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by H. L. Tucker.

Awarded

Highest Honors—World's Fair.

Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.

DR.

PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder.
40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Virginia Items.

Kind friends if you wish the Virginia news another year,

Do for Aaron what he does for you, tell him all the news you hear.

The Times goes to friends in other states that set up 'till eleven,

So read what happens you and what other folks do in 1897.

Mrs Washington Park, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs W T Pyle at Cartersville, Mo, returned home Wednesday of last week.

John Hussey, the city butcher, was kept busy last week slaughtering hogs.

John Classen of Boycott, Kan., was in Virginia Wednesday.

Mr Kneuet of Rich Hill, was drumming for Woodmen round Virginia last week.

Gordon Wallace went to Lee Summit last week.

Mrs N M Nestlerode of Illinois, came Saturday to visit relatives.

Chas Cope and wife of New Home, visited his mother Sunday.

Miss Mamie Neal is getting better slowly, but is not up yet.

P M Famuliner is very sick, Dr Christy, of Butler is tending on him.

H S Davis of Shelby county, Mo., is visiting relatives here.

Mrs John Bassett and daughter, Miss Annie, moved to Foster last week and Clifton Jackson moved in the house they left.

The man that dug a house where the water witches told him to now has plenty of water for all his stock.

A W Simpson's team ran away and tore his wagon to pieces.

Geo Ruble was afflicted with the toothache a couple of days last week.

L L Judy hauled a load of goods from Butler Saturday for J W McFadden and O M Drysdale.

Geo Thompson reports everything quiet in his neighborhood.

Isaac Park is still confined to the house most of the time.

C W Wolfe is still talking free silver.

Prayer meeting at the M E church Sabbath night.

Miss Mary Taylor, who is teaching at the Hickory Grove school house, spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Rev Blake of Drexel, preached his farewell sermon at the Christian church Sabbath night.

Mrs Gus Rape is still suffering with the rheumatism.

W J Bard and H P Nickell failed to see the new drilling exercise that was on time; they were found napping.

The Free Methodists commenced a protracted meeting at the Peter Crook school house Monday night.

The Scully agent was out Monday looking at W W Park's and Peter Denning's farms.

The quilting at W J Bard's last Thursday was well attended; a few of the invited guests were not able to be present—two quilts on the program. Those present were Mrs H F Smith, of Mogollon, New Mexico; Mesdames J W McFadden, C W Wolfe, Wm McKibben, A W Simpson, Geo Thompson, Jack Berry, Joe T Whinnery, Mike Maloney, John Hensley, Jas Walker, Cole, H P Nickell, D R Braden, Leech, Taylor, Jas Cuzick, W W Park, Geo Ruble; Mother Craig, Misses Louie Cowan, Daisy Walker, Rachel Park. Report comes from all sides that they had a good time. The center of attraction was Mrs Smith, of New Mexico, used to be Lillie Stephens, she having many new things to show them, and having traveled largely in the mining territory of the western states, made it interesting for those present. Mrs Smith has a good memory and a winning way in telling what she has seen in the west. When the time for refreshments came they surrounded the big table loaded with all that heart could desire, there was nothing left undone. Some of the ladies report that it was the grandest display of eatables they ever saw placed upon a table, and yet they disfigured many of the fine cakes, pies, jelly, &c. One lady said she would remember that quilting as long as she lived.

Many jokes passed away the quilting, and funny incidents long to be remembered by all.

The debating society at the Hill school house is having a good time. They meet every week. Next Friday night several of the old debaters of the township expect to be present and take part in the discussion.

Last week Aaron received a letter from his old chaplain in the army, Rev S G Clark, who is living at Appleton City. He tells us that he is now 81 years old and enjoying pretty good health. We hope to meet him soon and talk over what happened down south years ago.

Mrs G W Park has been down several days with rheumatism.

AARON.

Deepwater Items.

A crowd of young people visited at the home of D H Kash on last Wednesday eve.

Master Olaf Chambers visited Geo Shelton Wednesday night.

Geo Moore has a new buggy.

A crowd of young people skated on Judge Coleman's pond last Thursday night.

Some of Elm Grove young men are dealing in Klondike gold.

J M Kash spent a few days last week buying cattle.

We understand that the party at Mr Betz's on Monday night was a grand success.

Mr Will Morton, who has been sick for some time is reported better at this writing.

J W Kash and John Jackson has entered into a co-partnership to continue the hound business; their office is located on Plum street (Plum out of town.)

A protracted meeting will begin at the Christian church in Johnstown the fifteenth of this month.

Messrs J M Kash, Willie Shelton and John Jackson each have a new pair of skates and are learning to skate.

Walter McCoun's drug store in Johnstown was entered by burglars Thursday night, but they failed to get any money. At the time there was four dollars in the safe, but for some cause they did not get it.

Whooping cough is reported in Johnstown.

John Rains turned his horses in his stock feed and they got out and up to date he has been unable to find them.

The most entertaining and interesting part of the program at the Elm Grove lyceum on last Friday evening was the Shaw lawsuit conducted by S W Gilliland and Paul Wright.

Mr Gilliland represented the state and Mr Wright appeared for the defense.

D L Kash, tax collector of Deepwater township, is now ready to take in the shekels.

It was with sorrow that we learned of the death of Mrs Connie Baker, who was buried at Johnstown Sunday Dec 5th.

There was a social hop at Gus McCool one night last week.

Grandma Wilker purchased some hogs from Mr Jones last week.

J E Prewit and wife visited in this vicinity Sunday.

Bert Tyler says he is too busy with his traps to be a candidate for matrimony this winter, but warns the girls to look out in the spring for he is fast becoming tired of this single blessedness.

Everybody is engaged in hunting rabbits at the present time.

There was a social given at the residence of W M Shelton on last Saturday eve.

ROSE.

The Howard DeVoss Co, playing at the Butler Opera House, is one of the best all week troupes that has visited this city in years. Pavements of Paris, played Monday evening was exceptionally good, and the dancing and singing was fine, especially the acting and dancing of little Ruby Retnor.

What is Scott's Emulsion?

It is a strengthening food and tonic, remarkable in its flesh-forming properties. It contains Cod-Liver Oil emulsified or partially digested, combined with the well-known and highly prized Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda, so that their potency is materially increased.

What Will It Do?

It will arrest loss of flesh and restore to a normal condition the infant, the child and the adult. It will enrich the blood of the anemic; will stop the cough, heal the irritation of the throat and lungs, and cure incipient consumption. We make this statement because the experience of twenty-five years has proven it in tens of thousands of cases.

Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion, 50c and \$1.00, all druggists. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

The Clinton Daily Democrat published a death notice of Ed Lamar, a boot black, saying that he had expired at 12:30 of that day in an epileptic fit. Ed is a dwarf and it is said that his affliction was brought on by cigarette smoking. But Ed didn't die, and when he went around Sunday morning his regular customers took him for a ghost. He is now claiming damages and threatens to sue for \$5,000 unless the editors compromise by giving him a suit of clothes.

Dandruff is Disease

The beginning of baldness is dandruff. Keep the scalp clean and promote the growth of the hair by the use of

Ayer's Hair Vigor

CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE HERE.

GO TO

BENNETT-WHEELER Merc. Co.

FOR YOUR

Christmas Presents as they Keep Everything

Their stock of China, Glass and Queensware and Lamps of all styles is much larger and better assorted than ever before and is being offered at prices that will surprise you. There never was a time within our 20 years experience in business that we could offer you such bargains.

If you want a nice banquet lamp, china dinner set, salad dish, stand or hanging lamp, or anything in this line do not fail to call and examine our stock and get our prices. We are selling nice up to date banquet lamps at from \$1.50 up and hanging lamps at your own price. We also have a complete line of toy dinner sets, cups and saucers, children's plates, mugs, money banks and everything in this line that will interest the children.

We have enough Christmas Candles for all the children in Bates county and we have to sell it as we do not propose to carry any over. Will sell you mixed candy from 6c a pound up and better grades in proportion.

We are also headquarters for Low key chocolates and keep them in 1/2 and 1 pound boxes.

We are unloading another car load of Pleasanton shorts and bran which makes the richest feed of any shorts or bran that ever came to Butler, and we are prepared to sell you at any time from one sack to 10,000 pounds at mill prices, and have it right here in our feed house so you will not have to wait when you want a sack until we send out and buy it as others are doing. We also keep corn chop, corn, oats and timothy and prairie baled hay. In flour we handle the Pleasanton and Power Bros. and can sell you in any quantity cheaper than any store in Butler.

We are making some extremely low prices in 500 to 1000 pound quantities.

Our grocery stock is larger and a better assortment than you will find in Butler and prices lower.

Our tinware, galvanized iron and granite iron ware departments are chuck full of goods and we are cutting prices in two.

Our line of stoves is still complete and we have knocked the bottom out of prices. We are selling Oak heating stoves from \$6.00 to \$14.00. Airtight wood stoves in the largest size from \$3.75 up.

Cook stoves from \$10 up owing to size and quality. If you are in need of a steel range we will sell you one cheaper than any one in Bates County as we propose to close out our stock by January 1st.

We are selling more skates than all the stores in town, for the reason that we have a larger and better stock and are making lower prices. Our stock of shot guns, rifles, loaded

shells and all kinds of sporting goods is complete and prices way down. We are selling any size loaded shells at 35 cents per box and can give you any size loads you want for 10, 12 and 16 gauge guns.

If you want to buy a Christmas present come in and see our stock. We can sell you a nice set of carvers; silver knives and forks, spoons, razors, pocket knife, skates, china dinner set, fancy lamp, china plate, salad dish or anything in the china line.

We will sell you a farm wagon, buggy, spring wagon, sulky plow or anything in the implement line at a very low price, as we propose to reduce our stock one half by the first of January on account of invoicing. We are also making some unheard of prices on buggy and wagon harness. We will sell you a set of single buggy harness from \$5 to \$10 per set and double wagon harness from \$12 to \$25 per set.

If you need an axe, hatchet, cross cut or hand saw, wrench, hinges, nails, bolts, horse shoes, horse nails, builders hardware or anything in the hardware line, come in and see us, as we can save you money. Come in and get our prices on pumps, wind mills, gas pipe and all kinds of plumbers supplies, as we can save you money.

We will sell you

50 lb good Family flour \$.85

50 lb 4X flour 1 00

50 lb Straight Patent flour 1 15

50 lb High Patent flour 1 25

10 lb Mich. navy beans 25

12 lb hominy flake 25

10 lb oat flake 25

10 bars Ark soap 25

8 bars Clarette soap 25

8 bars Lenox soap 25

6 bars Old Country soap 25

6 lb Dwight soda 25

3 lb blasting powder 25

4 lb shot 25

Any size loaded shells 35

Coal hods 20

3 pint cups 05

1 quart cup 04

1 qt tin bucket 05

2 qt tin bucket 06

3 qt coffee pots 10

Granite Iron wash pans 15

Granite Iron dish pans 50